

SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

STANDING HEARING OFFICER DIRECTIVE

DOCKET NO. 2016-227-E ORDER NO. 2016-107-H

OCTOBER 20, 2016

Standing Hearing Officer: David Butler

DOCKET DESCRIPTION:

Application of Duke Energy Progress, LLC for Authority to Adjust and Increase Its Electric Rates and Charges

MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Request of Intervenor Wal-Mart Stores East, LP and Sam's East, Incorporated to Stipulate the Pre-Filed Testimony and Exhibits of Gregory W. Tillman into the Record of the Case in Lieu of his Appearance at the Hearing

STANDING HEARING OFFICER'S ACTION:

The Intervenor Wal-Mart Stores East, LP and Sam's East, Incorporated ("Wal-Mart") notes that, although it is not a signatory to the Settlement Agreement in this matter, it does not oppose the Agreement by the settling parties. As a result, Wal-Mart asked the settling parties if they would agree to waive cross-examination of Wal-Mart's witness Gregory W. Tillman at the Commission proceeding. Further, Wal-Mart informed the settling parties that, if all parties consented, Wal-Mart would request that Mr. Tillman be excused from the hearing, and that it would submit a Verification as to Mr. Tillman's pre-filed testimony, and a Letter of Non-Objection. Essentially, Mr. Tillman's testimony and exhibits would be stipulated into the record of the case during the hearing, in lieu of his appearance. All parties have indicated that they do not object to this procedure. Accordingly, Mr. Tillman is excused from attending the hearing, and his testimony and exhibits shall be stipulated into the record at the time of the hearing. In order to accomplish the Stipulation, Wal-Mart shall file a Verification for the Tillman testimony. Wal-Mart shall also file the stated Letter of Non-Objection.